**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.Application No./Patent No.: 6,020,974Filed/Issue Date: February 1, 2000Entitled: COMMUNICATING APPARATUSMATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD., a corporation

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

March 19, 2002

Date

H. Kitagawa
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This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.		
Name of Patentee(s) Kunio Kotsuki et al.		
Patent Number 6,020,974	Date Patent Issued February 1, 2000	
Title of Invention COMMUNICATING APPARATUS		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filed herein is a certificate under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent has been made.</p> <p>One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".</p> <p>The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.</p>		
The assignee owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are <u>100%</u> and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue.		
Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned) MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.		
Signature <i>H. Kitagawa</i>	Date March 19, 2002	
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated April 23, 2002, submitted herewith are the following:

- Inventor Declaration for Reissue Application
(adequately identifying the specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63(b)(1) by identifying the application by filing date, title, attorney docket number, and the patent number which forms the basis of the reissue application);
- Power of Attorney;
- Consent of Assignee;
- Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b);
- Copy of Notification of Missing Parts; and
- Check in the amount of \$130 surcharge.

Official fees:

Surcharge for late submission of declaration **\$130.00**

Total fees enclosed: \$130.00

Applicants: Kunio Kotsuki et al.
Appl. No. 10/059,398

Should no remittance be attached, or should any greater or lesser fee be required, please charge or credit our Account No. 22-0261 and advise us accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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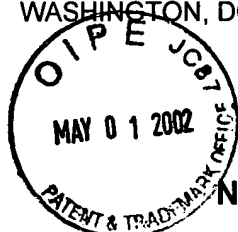
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that all assignees consenting to the reissue application establish their ownership interest in the patent by filing in the reissue application a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

Items Required To Avoid Processing Delays:

The item(s) indicated below are also required and should be submitted with any reply to this notice to avoid further processing delays.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

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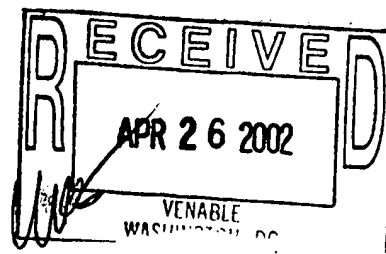
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